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REMARKS

Prior to the present amendment claims 19-40 were pending. As a result of the foregoing amendments, which include the cancellation of claims 19, 22, 24-46 and non-elected claims 30-40, claims 20, 21, 23 and 27-29 are currently pending.

Reconsideration of this application in light of the foregoing amendments and following remarks is respectfully requested.

The notice of allowable subject matter in claims 20, 21, 23 and 27-29 is gratefully appreciated. In an effort to bring prosecution of the present application to a favorable conclusion, claim 20 has been rewritten in self-contained form to include the subject matter of claim 19, from which claim 20 previously depended. Claim 20 is now independent. Objected to claims 21, 23 and 27-29 depend upon self-contained rewritten claim 20.

As such, claims 20, 21, 23 and 27-29 are believed to be in condition for allowance. A notice thereof is, accordingly, earnestly solicited.

Should any minor informalities need to be addressed, the Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned attorney at the telephone number listed below.

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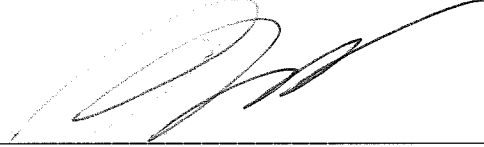
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